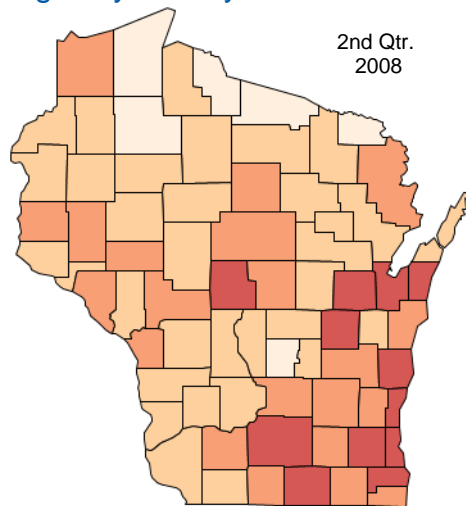
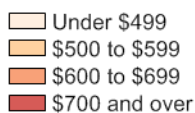


Wisconsin Average Weekly Wages by County



2nd Qtr.
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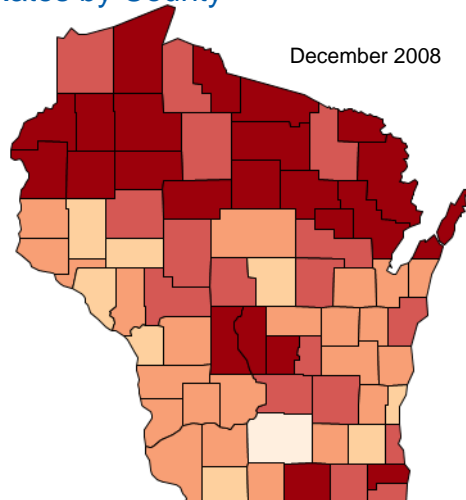
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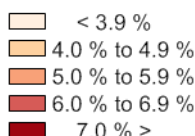
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Wisconsin Unemployment Rates by County

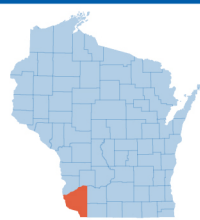


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2007 Pop. - 48,792



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Grant County Snapshot

Released January 30, 2009

County Employment Overview - 2nd Qtr. 2008

Below are the county's most common occupations based upon their employment. Under each occupation are the industries that, based on statewide employer staffing patterns, (estimated total number of jobs), employ the most people in the occupation. Next to each industry is the largest county employer that may employ people in that occupation. (Note: An * before an employer's name indicates that the employer has multiple locations or is counted in multiple industries but chose not to break out this information.)

1 Cashiers

INDUSTRIES	LARGEST EMPLOYERS IN INDUSTRY	# OF EMPLOYEES
Discount Department Stores	Wal-Mart	250-499
Supermarkets & Other Grocery Stores	Dick's Supermarket	100-249
Home Centers	Menards	100-249
Gasoline Stations with Convenience Stores	Kwik Trip	50-99
Limited Service Restaurants	McDonald's	50-99

2 Retail Sales Staff

Discount Department Stores	Wal-Mart	250-499
Home Centers	Menards	100-249
New Car Dealers	Fillback Chrysler	20-49
All Other General Merchandise Stores	World of Variety Inc	20-49
Radio TV & Other Elect Stores	Tri-Com Inc	20-49

3 Wait Staff

Limited Service Restaurants	McDonald's	50-99
Hotels & Motels exc Casino Hotels	Governor Dodge LLC	50-99
Full Service Restaurants	Country Kitchen	50-99
Golf Courses & Country Clubs	Platteville Golf & Country Club	20-49
Caterers	Holiday Gardens	20-49

4 Food Prep & Serving Staff

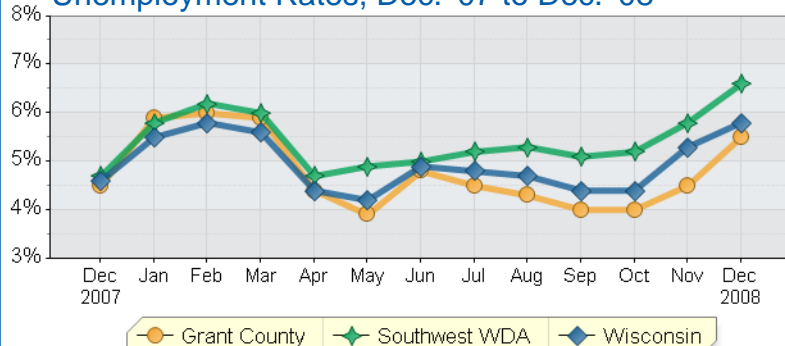
Colleges & Universities	*State Government	500-999
Supermarkets & Other Grocery Stores	Dick's Supermarket	100-249
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5 Heavy/Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers

Farm Supplies Merch Whls	United Suppliers Inc	20-49
General Freight Trucking Long Distance TL	J & R Transport Inc	20-49
Ready Mix Concrete Mfg	Kowalski Kieler	20-49
Dairy Product Merch Whls	Schurman's WI Cheese Country	20-49
Residential Site Preparation Contractors	Rural Excavating	10-19

Source: DWD, LMI, QCEW Q2 2008; LMI, EDS Q2 2006; OEA, Short-Term Projections 2007-2009

Unemployment Rates, Dec. '07 to Dec. '08



Unemployment Rates

	Dec. '08	Nov. '08	Dec. '07
Grant County	5.5%	4.5%	4.5%
Southwest WDA**	6.6	5.8	4.7
Wisconsin	5.8	5.3	4.6

Employment

	Dec. '08	Nov. '08	Dec. '07
County Civilian Labor Force	28,774	29,029	28,535
# Employed	27,191	27,713	27,246
# Unemployed	1,583	1,316	1,289
WDA Civilian Labor Force	169,565	169,997	167,858
# Employed	158,306	160,103	160,041
# Unemployed	11,259	9,894	7,817

Source: DWD, LMI, LAUS

**Southwest WDA comprised of Rock, Green, Lafayette, Iowa, Richland & Grant Counties

Questions? - email worknet@dwd.state.wi.us

Current Active JobNet Orders* - January 20, 2009



1 Occupations with the Most Job Openings based on the worksite

	OCCUPATION	# OF ESTIMATED OPENINGS	EMPLOYERS WITH MOST OPENINGS
COUNTY	Lathe & Turning Machine Tool Ops	2	Furst Staffing
	Mgrs of Retail Sales	2	Piggly Wiggly Midwest
	RNs	2	Southwest Health Center Inc
WDA	RNs	35	Staffing Partners Healthcare; Medical Staffing Network; Southwest Health Center Inc
	Personal & Home Care Aides	18	Brightstar Healthcare; Angelus Retirement Community; Leroy Weber
	Janitors	17	Kleenmark

2 Employers with the Most Job Openings based on the worksite

	EMPLOYER	# OF ESTIMATED OPENINGS	EMPLOYER'S MOST FREQUENT TYPES OF JOB OPENINGS
COUNTY	Southwest Health Center Inc	6	RNs; Occupational Therapist Assistants; Medical & Clinical Lab Technologists
	Furst Staffing	2	Lathe & Turning Machine Tool Ops
	Piggly Wiggly Midwest	2	Mgrs of Retail Sales
WDA	Staffing Partners Healthcare	25	RNs
	Kleenmark	18	Janitors; Mgrs of Housekeeping
	Monroe Truck Equipment	14	Helpers - Installation & Repair; Painters - Transportation Equip; Welders

3 JobNet Summary Statistics

	COUNTY	WDA
Total Job Openings	16	218
Employers with Openings	9	61

Unemployment Insurance Benefits

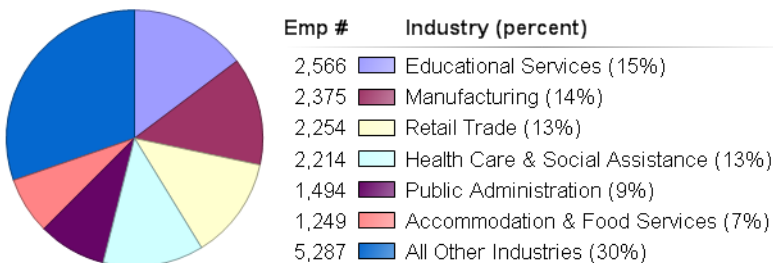
		Dec. '08	Nov. '08	Dec. '07
Initial Claims	County	1,094	952	773
	WDA	7,981	5,570	4,936
Continued Claims	County	5,675	3,425	3,485
	WDA	42,833	29,845	22,239

Source: Wisconsin's JobNet, January 20, 2009

*This JobNet Orders report provides the number of job openings by occupation and by company. It is a "snapshot" of information for one day in JobNet. Job orders with five (5) or fewer counties only will be retrieved and reported above. Companies listing more than five counties as worksites will not be used for the Snapshot publications.

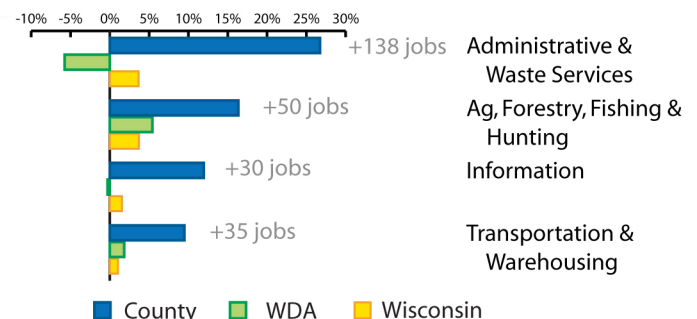
Source: DWD, UI

Top Employing Industries in County - 2nd Qtr. 2008



Source: DWD, LMI, QCEW

County Industries w/ Largest Percentage Growth in Employment: 1st Qtr. 2007 - 1st Qtr. 2008



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, LED

Nonfarm Employment

Nonfarm Employment	Grant County			State
	December 2008 Employment	Change Since Last Month		
		#	%	%
Total Nonfarm	20,380	-264	-1.3 %	-1.2 %
Total Private	16,211	-146	-0.9	-1.2
Goods Producing	4,166	-150	-3.5	-2.8
Natural Resources and Mining and Construction	1,765	-142	-7.4	-9.0
Manufacturing	2,401	-8	-0.3	-1.1
Private Service Providing	12,045	4	0.0	-0.6
Trade	3,319	7	0.2	0.4
Transportation Warehousing and Utilities	627	-13	-2.0	-2.3
Financial Activities	1,347	5	0.4	-0.3
Educational and Health Services	2,800	9	0.3	-0.2
Leisure and Hospitality	1,250	-8	-0.6	-1.3
Information, Professional, Business & other Services	2,702	4	0.1	-1.3
Government	4,169	-118	-2.8	-1.3

Source: DWD, LMI, CES & Small County Estimates



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